

## Amendments to the Specification

Page 1, after line 1, insert:

### SPECIFICATION

#### REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This is a continuation of the PCT application No. PCT/EP02/04423 filed April 22, 2002, based on the German priority Application No. 201 10 604.3 filed June 29, 2001.

#### FIELD OF THE INVENTION

after line 10, insert:

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PRIOR ART

Page 2, after line 16 insert:

#### SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Page 8, cancel lines 8-15, and substitute the following paragraph therefor:

According to ~~the preferred variant of claims 15 to 18,~~ another embodiment of the invention, a closure member is positioned on said product discharge opening. The closure member is preferably of such a configuration that it opens due t a pressure difference between the discharge channel and the atmosphere for discharging the paste-like product. When, as has been mentioned above, the paste-like material is pulled back in the discharge channel away from the product discharge opening, this leads to a relative vacuum in the discharge channel, which ensures that the closure member seals the product discharge opening in a particularly efficient way.

Page 9, after line 12 insert:

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Page 10, after line 6, insert:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION